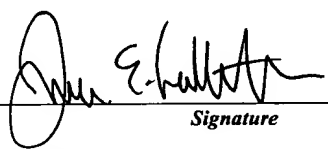


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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>L9289.00109</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>Hiroyuki EHARA, et al.</b>					
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Invention: <b>EXCITATION VECTOR GENERATING APPARATUS AND SPEECH CODING/DECODING APPARATUS</b>					
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In response to the Office Action dated August 3, 2004,  
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